'Time' Pix Disputes Manchester

NEW YORK (AP) — Time Magazine says photographs published in its current issue show that five aides of President Kennedy were present during the swearing in of President Johnson on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

In the Look Magazine serialization of his book, "The Death of a President" author William Manchester said photographs of Johnson's oath-taking ceremony the day of the assassination "did not record the presence of a single male Kennedy aide."

In a previously published photograph, Kenneth P. O'Donnell is shown standing next to Mrs. John F. Kennedy during the ceremony aboard the presidential plane, Air Force One.

Manchester has said that eyewitnesses who described the scene to him may have been mistaken.

It would be "presumptuous for a contemporary historian to claim that he bats a thousand," Manchester said.

Time said the series of 19 photographs made during the period of the swearing in were taken by Capt. Cecil Stoughton of the Air Force, who is now a major. He was Kennedy's official photographer.

According to the magazine's captions, they show O'Donnell, David F. Powers and Lawrence F. O'Brien, special assistants to President Kennedy; Air Force Lt. Col. James Swindel, Kennedy's personal pilot; Vice Adm. George C. Burkley, White House physician, and Maj. Gen. Chester V. Clifton, a presidential military aide.

The magazine said that all but O'Brien were present during the actual administering of the oath of office to Johnson.

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AT JOHNSON SWEARING IN CEREMONY—This is one of the pictures in Time Magazine today showing aides of the late President Kennedy present during the 1963 swearing in of President Johnson. From left: Malcolm Kilduff, a Kennedy aide; Judge Sarah T. Hughes; Maj. Gen. Chester V. Clifton, Kennedy's military aide; Dallas Police Chief Jesse Curry; man behind Curry unidentified; Mrs. Johnson; Johnson; Evelyn Lincoln, Kennedy's secretary behind him; Rep. Homer Thornberry, D-Tex.; Charles Roberts of Newsweek, and Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Tex., holding hands.